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TAGS: PINT, PO, SW

SUBJECT: SWEDISH ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST

REF: LISBON 4399

1. FOLLOWING CONFIRMS SWEDISH DIPLOMAT'S STATEMENT THAT SWEDISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (WHICH CONSTITUTES SWEDISH GOVERNMENT) WISHES TO ASSIST PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST PARTY (PS). (REFTEL) WHILE CALLING ON PRIME MINISTER OLOF PALME OCTOBER 10, I SPOKE WITH PALME'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS ADVISER, PIERRE SCHORI. HE WAS CALLED AWAY BRIEFLY TO TAKE A CALL FROM PORTUGAL. WHEN HE RETURNED, I OBSERVED THAT PORTUGAL APPEARED TO BE HAVING SEVERE ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES. SCHORI SAID THAT THE CALL HAD BEEN FROM PS LEADER SOARES AND THAT, INDEED, PORTUGUESE ECONOMIC
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SITUATION HAD BEEN A SUBJECT OF CALL. I ASKED SCHORI IF

SOARES HAD REQUESTED ASSISTANCE, HE CONCEDED THAT HE HAD. SCHORI THEN ADDED THAT THE GOS BELIEVES THAT THE ECONOMIC QUESTION IS THE MAJOR PROBLEM FACING PORTUGAL TODAY, AND THAT GOS CONSIDERS SOARES AND PS AS THE MOST STABILIZING FORCE IN THE COUNTRY.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY SECRETARY STEN ANDERSSON ANNOUNCED OCTOBER 7 THAT THE PARTY'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED TO GIVE "PRACTICAL POLITICAL HELP" TO THE PS. ACCORDING TO ANDERSSON, "THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRENGTH WHICH THE PS "MAY ACHIEVE QUICKLY IS PROBABLY DECISIVE FOR THE POLITICAL FUTURE OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEFT."

3. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON FALKMAN WILL BE PROVIDED BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.
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